

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

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Boston Edison Company)	D.T.E. 00-82
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MOTION TO CONTINUE POSTPONEMENT OF HEARINGS

Boston Edison Company and the Office of the Attorney General hereby jointly move to continue the postponement of the hearings in this matter as had been previously requested in the joint Motions for Postponement of Hearing, dated August 24, 2001, and which motion was duly granted by the Hearing Officer on August 24, 2001. The parties continue to be engaged in settlement discussions concerning the issues that would be the subject of those hearings and are of the belief that a settlement of this matter may be achieved if some additional time is allowed. Such settlement would include the entirety of Boston Edison Company's filing in this matter, with regard to the reconciliation of transition charges through the year 2000, including each supplementary filing or revision thereto. Since the parties' August 24, 2001 motion, such discussions have continued and the parties have made substantial progress and have agreed in principle upon the basis of such a settlement.

Provided that the requested postponement is granted, the parties would propose that a target date of October 3, 2001 be established for filing a settlement agreement. In the event a settlement agreement is not filed by that date, the parties would suggest a

procedural conference on that date to establish a schedule for hearings and further proceedings in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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